THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) According to the Twelfth Power Survey, the peaking shortage by the end of the Seventh Plan period is estimated to be of the order of 10,000 MW.

(b) The measures taken to improve the power supply position include installation of additional generating capacity, better utilisation of existing capacity, implementation of the renovation and modernisation programme for thermal stations, reduction in transmission and distribution losses, and demand management and energy conservation measures.

Transfer of some public sector undertakings to private management

1287. SHRI RAMKRISHNA MAZUMDER: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1375 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th March, 1986 and state:

(a) whether Government have under consideration any specific proposals for production of power from some private sector enterpreneurs;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is Government's views on each of the proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and would be laid on the Table of the House.

Banerjee Committee Report on BCCL

1288. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received the report of the Banerjee Committee on Bharat Coking Coal Limited; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Committee has made about 170 recommendations/ observations regarding various aspects of working of Bharat Coking Coal Limited such as production, productivity, project implementation, management, reconstruction of Jharia coalfields, etc. The report has been sent to Coal India Limited for comments.

DESU Bills to Malviya Nagar consumers

1289. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that electricity bills are not being delivered to the consumers in time by DESU authorities resulting in delayed payments thereof;

(b) whether any irregularity in despatching of bills in Malviya Nagar area of South Delhi has been noticed;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether it is also a fact that regular bills have not been despatched to the consumers in Malviya Nagar, South Delhi during the last 2 years;

(e) whether such irregularity has caused inconvenience for accumulation of bills to the consumers; and

(f) what was the frequency of bills by DESU in Malviya Nagar during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.